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Subject Hold Maui Hearing on injection wells

Aloha Ms. Rumrill

The Surfrider Foundation Maui Chapter supports the need for a public hearing on Maui regarding the permit for new injection wells at Lahaina, Maui, Hawaii. Surfrider's mission is to safeguard the world's oceans, waves and beaches for the enjoyment of all...this includes the quality of near-shore marine and reef systems. There is enough evidence to support the premise that injection of R2 water adversely impacts the near-shore waters by adding nutrients that promote algae growth, which, in turn, negatively impacts marine life and the reef ecosystem.

Surfrider supports sewage treatment to the point R1 point so that waste water can be reused for irrigation. It's the only option that makes sense in these ecologically imperiled times.

Mahalo

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